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3 April 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director, Security

**SUBJECT : Unauthorized Disclosures of USIA
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1. Limited inquiries concerning the USIA document in question have revealed the following:

- a. As indicated by USIA, only one copy of the attached was sent to CIA on 8 March and it went directly to the DCI.
- b. The single copy to CIA was an advanced copy and was given very limited distribution. Document Division records do not reflect its dissemination to those CIA offices which normally would have received it. If the document was given internal distribution it undoubtedly was maintained at the Deputy Director's level.

2. Since the USIA document in question was given very limited distribution within the Agency and there is no indication that the alleged leak occurred from within CIA, it is not felt that further action by this Office is warranted. Accordingly, it is recommended that the attached proposed reply from the Director of Security to Mr. McNichol, Director of Security, USIA, be approved and forwarded.


Special Assistant
Executive Staff/OS

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UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY

WASHINGTON

March 21, 1963

TO : Colonel Sheffield Edwards
Director, Office of Security
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

FROM : Paul J. McNichol, Director
Office of Security

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Our records indicate that one copy of this document was furnished to Mr. John McCone on March 8, 1963. You are accordingly requested to conduct the necessary investigation to determine whether the suspected leak may have occurred within your Agency. It would be appreciated if you would advise this Office by return letter of the results of your inquiry.

For your convenience there is enclosed a copy of the document in question. It may also be noted that this document was followed by an identical one which bears the following notation on the cover sheet "Italian Figures Entered March 6, 1963". The latter document is not in issue.

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Mr. Paul J. McNichol, Director
Office of Security
United States Information Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. McNichol:

Appropriate inquiries within this Agency have been conducted in response to your letter dated 21 March 1963 concerning an apparent unauthorized disclosure of classified information appearing in the USIA document entitled "Some Current Public Opinion Trends in Western Europe," dated February 1963.

The one copy received by this Agency was given extremely limited distribution to very senior officials. Inquiries have revealed no information to indicate that the suspected unauthorized disclosure occurred within CIA.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Sheffield Edwards
Director of Security

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